

PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1731**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shouji YAJIMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1731

Application No.: 10/725,362

Examiner: C. LOPEZ

Filed: December 3, 2003

Docket No.: 109067.01

For: PRODUCTION METHOD OF SYNTHETIC SILICA GLASS AND THERMAL
TREATMENT APPARATUS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the March 8, 2007 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.